



*The Presbyterian
Church of
Saint
David*

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We are so glad you have chosen
to worship with us this morning!

WELCOME!

Service for the Lord's Day, May 12th 2013
Christian Family Sunday MOTHERS' DAY

Our Vision

A Worshiping, Sharing, Welcoming Community

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God Calls Us to Worship

Prelude: Dialogue sur Cornet by Couperin

*The Entry of the Scriptures

Call to worship:

*Hymn: Great God arise

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Prayer of Confession: *Your care sustains us in each moment, and your compassion guides us in each situation. **We, your daughters and sons, praise you.** When we fall, you lift us, when we fail you restore us, when we are wounded, you nurse us, when we grieve, you weep with us. **We, your daughters and sons, praise you.** But, we have failed to love as you do, we have abused our bodies and those of others, we have filled our minds with selfish dreams, and violent plans, we have made our hearts cold and empty of compassion, we have forgotten our spirits, and distorted your image within us. As a mother disciplines her children, we ask you to discipline us; As a mother forgives the sons and daughters who hurt her, we ask you to forgive us; as a mother calls her children to be reconciled with their siblings, we ask you to lead us to reconciliation with one another. In Christ's Name.*

Assurance of Pardon:

We Hear God's Word

Introit:

First Reading:

Joshua 24: 14-17

One: The Word of the Lord All: Thanks be to God.

Responsive Reading:

Psalms 68: 3-10

*Let the righteous be joyful; let them exult before God; let them be jubilant with joy. **Sing to God, sing praises to his name; lift up a song to him who rides upon the clouds – his name is the Lord – be exultant before him. Father of orphans and protector of widows is God in his holy habitation. God gives the desolate a home to live in; he leads out the prisoners to prosperity, but the rebellious live in a parched land.** ○*

God, when you went out before your people, when you marched through the wilderness, **the earth quaked, the heavens poured down rain at the presence of God, the God of Sinai, at the presence of God, the God of Israel.** *Rain in abundance, O God, you showered abroad; you restored your heritage when it languished; your flock found a dwelling in it; in your goodness, O God, you provided for the needy.*

Gloria Patri (*sung*)

*Hymn: Praise our Maker, people of one family **700**

Conversation with the young people: The crayon box
Sunday School presentation

(Young people leave for Sunday School)

From the letters: **Galatians 3: 26-29 Ephesians 6:1-6**

Gospel: **Matthew 12: 46-50**

One: The Gospel of the Lord. All: Praise to you, O Christ

*Hymn: Blessed be the tie that binds **481**

Sermon: **Take another look**

We Respond to God's Word

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Anthem: The Stars are with the Voyager by Daley

*Doxology: "Praise God, from whom all blessings flow" **830**

*Affirmation of Faith: The Apostles' Creed (inside back cover of the Book of Praise) Offertory Prayer

Announcements:

"Lord, listen to your children praying" (*unannounced*) **449**

Prayers of the People The Lord's Prayer (debts & debtors)

We Go Out to Serve God

*Hymn: We are God's people **472**

*Benediction: *Choral Amen:

Postlude: March by Händel

Worship is now ended let our service begin!

THIS WEEK - (May 12- May 19)

Today	9:00 am	Early service
	10:00 am	Circle of Prayer
	11:00 am	Traditional service - Food Bank Sunday School at 11:15
Tuesday&Thursday		Exercise class
Thursday	7:30	Choir practice
Friday	10:00 am - 1:00 pm	David's Place (Hall).
Sunday	9:00 am -	Early service
	10:00 am -	Circle of Prayer
	11:00 am	Pentecost Sunday

The flowers in the sanctuary are in loving memory of our mother Bella Alexandra Jones who passed away on May 17, 2010. They are placed by her daughters Donna Wainright, Karen Dauphinee, and Wanda Gray, as well as her grandchildren and great grandchildren.

Sunday School closes today but children's programs will continue until June 9th (communion) and activity packets will be available all summer. Mission and Outreach is organizing a **clothing drive** on behalf of the Halifax Refugee Clinic's used clothing store "Section 96" on Grafton Street. We invite the congregation to bring in any lightly used **spring and summer clothing** that they would like to donate to this worthy cause. The drive ends on June 9th. Race organizers have promised us access to our church for the **Marathon** next week. They encourage us to consider Spring Garden Road as our access point. Please try to join us on Pentecost Sunday which is one of the most significant moments in church life!

Joshua 24: 14-17 "Now therefore revere the Lord, and serve him in sincerity and in faithfulness; put away the gods that your ancestors served beyond the River and in Egypt, and serve the Lord. Now if you are unwilling to serve the Lord, choose this day whom you will serve, whether the gods your ancestors served in the region beyond the River or the gods of the Amorites in whose land you are living; but as for me and my household, we will serve the Lord." **16** Then the people answered, "Far be it from us that we should forsake the Lord to serve other gods; **17** for it is the Lord our God who brought us and our ancestors up from the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery, and who did those great signs in our sight. He protected us along all the way that we went, and among all the peoples through whom we passed;

Galatians 3: 26-29 ... for in Christ Jesus you are all children of God through faith. As many of you as were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ. There is no longer Jew or Greek, there is no longer slave or free, there is no longer male and female; for all of you are one in Christ Jesus. And if you belong to Christ, then you are Abraham's offspring, heirs according to the promise. **Ephesians 6:1-6** Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right. "Honour your father and mother" – this is the first commandment with a promise: "so that it may be well with you and you may live long on the earth." And, fathers, do not provoke your children to anger, but bring them up in the discipline and instruction of the Lord. Slaves, obey your earthly masters with fear and trembling, in singleness of heart, as you obey Christ; not only while being watched, and in order to please them, but as slaves of Christ, doing the will of God from the heart

Matthew 12: 46-50 While he was still speaking to the crowds, his mother and his brothers were standing outside, wanting to speak to him. Someone told him, "Look, your

mother and your brothers are standing outside, wanting to speak to you." But to the one who had told him this, Jesus replied, "Who is my mother, and who are my brothers?" And pointing to his disciples, he said, "Here are my mother and my brothers! For whoever does the will of my Father in heaven is my brother and sister and mother."



PASTORAL CARE

*Those seeking pastoral care are requested to contact
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MISSION Serving God through music For students at the Theological Seminary of the Hungarian Reformed Church in Cluj, Romania, singing in a choir is a fun and creative way to learn the English language. It is also a fun and creative way to share the gospel message. Gifts to Presbyterians Sharing support Brian Johnston, an English and music teacher at the seminary. Choir member Józsa Bertalan shares “The feelings and spiritual nourishment that we gain through singing cannot be expressed in words. When we perform in congregations and communities, I believe that we have reached our goal when the song we sing is not just a simple composition, but a lifestyle and way of thinking which is revealed on our faces. When people see this, then we can say that our mission through song has been fulfilled.”

PRAYER PARTNERSHIP *Christian Family Sunday*

Thank God for the special nature of family ties. Pray that families will reflect Christian love, compassion and forgiveness.



STEWARDSHIP John answered, “No one can receive anything except what has been given from heaven.”

We welcome younger children to our services! St. David’s is a breastfeeding friendly facility. If desired a **nursery room** is available with an audio link.



The 3 R's at Saint David's - Reduce, Reuse and Recycle.
This is a 'scent free' zone for the comfort of all.

We welcome all who are worshipping here today! If you are here for the first time, please sign the Guest Book at the main entrance. Our Greeter this morning is Don Knox. Our reader today is Barry Cahill. Refreshment Host is _____